

New England aster: *Symphyotrichum novae-angliae*

Habitat information

- New England aster is a showy perennial native to Vermont. It has bright purple flowers with orange centers. It grows vigorously in moist soils and flowers until early fall. It is a popular plant for native bees, honey bees, bumble bees, and butterflies. New England aster is also a nectar source for monarch butterflies.

Pollinator information

- **Pollinators:** Butterflies, hummingbirds, birds
- **Larval host:** Grey hairstreak, monarch and queen butterflies



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Pearl crescent butterfly



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